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FOR SALE.

In accordance with a conclusion reached some two months since the MIDDLETOWN TRANSCRIPT, good will, mailing lists, &c. included, is offered for sale. The reason is the protracted ill health of the editor and proprietor.

For more than two years he has been a victim of liver trouble and though perhaps in general health is as well now as at any time of this period yet a change of climate is advised as necessary. For this reason the paper is offered for sale though with much reluctance many pleasant ties will be thus severed. Such is life. Brother editors will confer a favor by noting the fact that the paper is for sale. No more beautiful section of country in which to locate.

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In another column may be found a tabulated statement given out by the War Department this week relative to the quota of Volunteers furnished by the several States under the two calls by the President for 125,000 and 75,000 men, or a total of 200,000. No mention is made of Delaware in this report.

This is provoking. We are small but we are not accustomed to be ignored or forgotten. Delaware has done her duty in every way this country has had, her soldiers having won honor and glory. Under the first call by President McKinley Delaware's quota was 341. She enlisted a regiment of 1025. Under the second call her quota was 205, or 546 under the two calls, hence no second enlistments were made in this State. In the number of her volunteers Delaware has done nobly and she should not be ignored in statements sent out by the War Department. We respectfully call the attention of Senator Gray and Representative Handy to these facts.

"Why do you not advocate the removal of the Delaware Volunteers from Camp Tunnell, the sending of the Regiment to the front where they may see some service?" has been frequently asked us. That is not our province. We have nothing to do with ordering or distributing the troops; certainly not; nor would we feel that we had done a good thing were we to advocate that our Regiment be sent to the front and though our opinions were given no consideration, yet should "the boys" go there and should brave and worthy sons and loved ones fall in battle our conscience might not be clear. War is a terrible matter and going to the front means taking great risk of life and limb and health, hence it is not for us to advocate anything in this matter. To others belongs the responsibility and they must direct affairs.

It is not, however, overstepping the bounds of prudence to state our belief that a large majority of the officers and privates of the First Delaware Regiment Volunteers are anxious to remove from Camp Tunnell. The men have been "cooped up" for three months in a field back from the public thoroughfare; the weather has been from extreme cold, snow and blizzard almost, to extreme heat of over a hundred in the shade, while the troops are unprotected save from the tents; the men are impatient of restraint while so near to their homes and not a few abuse the privileges granted them oversteering their time when leave of absence is granted. The men are well equipped and well drilled, and we believe the majority of them desire to see other service than that at Camp Tunnell. The officers and men, unfortunately, like the modest manner towards the man of her affections, must await in seeming patience the tardy word and action of others. Query—the woman of the Nineteenth Century has advanced beyond the position of yesteryear and why may not the soldier of the period take lessons of her?

There has been not a little grumbling about the conduct of a few of the soldiers as to rowdiness especially since pay day. The Wilmington papers have complained of the men visiting there. There are a few bad eggs in every big basket. A thousand men is a large assembly and a few bad characters count more than double, especially when in liquor. The city authorities made a mistake in not treating the first offence by the soldiers as they would any others. License to such men is certain to be abused. But take the First Delaware Regiment as a body and it will compare favorably with any other. Within its ranks are the representatives of the best blood of our State, the leading families in every respect. They are worthy sons of noble sires and patriotic mothers, and given the opportunity they will show the true metal, and do honor to the Diamond State.

THE Union Republican State Central Committee has issued a call for a State Convention to be held in Dover, Tuesday, August 30th, for the purpose of nominating a Representative in Congress, State Treasurer and State Auditor. The basis of representation is five delegates to each representative district, except the second and third of Wilmington, being large Republican districts, ten delegates are given to each. New Castle has fifteen districts and Kent and Sussex each ten. The primaries will be held Friday, August 20th.

THE CUBANS AND THE JUNTA.

The Cubans and "the Cuban Junta" in this country are proving alike disappointing. Before Santiago the insurgents would not throw up necessary entrenchments because "they are soldiers not laborers," and they would not fight lest the Spaniards prove to outnumber them. They willingly accepted the provisions sent from this country. They are now in the sulks because Santiago was not turned over to them for pillage. They are evidently an ignorant, bigoted lot.

The Junta in this country is proving itself no better. It did an awful lot of shouting before war was declared. The "Evening Journal" fully and we believe very justly describes its position here now:

"Before the breaking out of the war between the United States and Cuba there was a little Junta in our city. It was not a mistake, it is still here, while hundreds of Delaware men who never frequented the revolutionary news-centers, never prated of what sacrifices they were willing to make for Cuba Libre; never engineered philanthropic projects for relief of the Cuban patriots, have given up good positions and the comforts of home, and are now in uniform, encamped in an open field, beneath the blazing July sun, without pay for two months, and eagerly waiting for orders which will take them to the front, while the leading members of this same local Junta are here at home, engaged in business and enjoying all of the immunities of noncombatants, far removed from the scene of strife and bloodshed. We have it upon good authority that one of the leading members of this same local Cuban Junta promised his wife, before war was declared, that in such an eventuality he would not go to the front. Many others of the aggregation of long-distance believers in Cuban independence are giving excuses which walk on two crutches.

It is, so far as these patriots are concerned, a pity that the exigencies of this sanguinary occasion are not such as to necessitate a draft which would take in this same coterie of agitators and send them to the front, no matter what their excuses are or how great their unwillingness."

The "Smyrna Times," a Republican paper, with reference to the question of representation in Republican State conventions, makes this significant statement: "The Democratic State conventions have the same number of delegates from New Castle as from Kent and Sussex counties—fifty each, and their harmony has never been disturbed by the question of representation." What will the "Morning News," another Republican paper, say about this?—Every Evening.

We do not know what the "Morning News" said about this or whether, indeed, it said anything. Occasionally the "Morning News" gets the right word in the right place, politically.

In the first place we are surprised that any Delaware Republican should hold up Democratic methods or customs in this State as a pattern to be followed. Certainly the "Smyrna Times" has denounced them enough for the last two or three years to blush when doing so.

Why are New Castle Democrats content to go into convention on an equal footing with their brethren of Kent or Sussex? Because they are in the minority in New Castle county and must depend upon their party associates in Kent and Sussex counties to win their victories and nobilities. Mr. Bayard, if we mistake not, owed more than one election to the United States Senate to Kent and Sussex. Mr. Gray, we think, has been likewise indebted. The rosters of this county and of the city of Wilmington have had to rely upon the single-hearted tools from Kent and Sussex to do outrageous legislation to keep them in power. We call the advocates of Levy Court, steal, &c., "roosters," because we do not believe the self-respecting Democrats of this State have approved of these methods. Only political "roosters" are guilty. Here, then, is a reason for content as to representation among the Democratic politicians of New Castle. The "Times" may or may not see the point.

As to why the 12,000 self-respecting Republicans of New Castle county, and a majority party in the county on any fair test, should submit to the dictation of less than 4,000 in Kent county, which is a minority party in the county save possibly when boodles decide otherwise, we do not know. It is a matter we could never comprehend. In the last election Kent claimed in the Union-Republican nominations all the plums, pudding and bag as well. All or nothing, said her petty politicians, and it was nothing—or nothing to the Republican party. How long shall this blind suicidal policy prevail?

ANNOUNCEMENT is made that Mr. M. L. Hydon, editor of the "News and Advertiser" at Milford, has resigned. This is unexpected to the fraternity and greatly to be regretted. Mr. Hydon succeeded Mr. Henry L. Hynson, who was an editor of ability, a man of convictions and conscience. He had made himself felt through his editorials and his death was a great loss to the fraternity as well as to his locality. Mr. Hydon has shown excellent judgment, editorial ability and tact, in his journalistic work and the fraternity in the State and throughout the Peninsula must learn with regret that he is to quit the field before he was thoroughly acquainted with its members. His paper has recently taken a new life, new make-up and evidence of prosperity. We shall lose him with much regret.

Mr. Hydon has been elected principal of the North Milford Schools, an inviting field. He but returns to the work which he quit when he took up the editorial pen, having taught in Frederick for some years. If Mr. Hydon is as successful a teacher as he has proven himself an editor the citizens of Milford are to be congratulated upon his election to be principal of their schools, and we doubt not his ability in this work also.

THE CASE AGAINST SENATOR KENNEY

relative to the Dover Bank was given to the jury yesterday, Judge Bradford closing his charge shortly after one o'clock. The judge was all night preparing the charge, which took an hour and fifteen minutes to deliver. It was able and clear and evidently fair, though counsel for defence noted exceptions. The matter now rests with the jury. There are surmises as to acquittal, conviction and disagreement. The case has been ably handled and has excited great interest. District Attorney Vandegrift merits the thanks of all for a duty well done. His has been a disagreeable task and he has discharged it with signal ability. The defence has been ably conducted, the sensational features which were promised not appearing. Among the witnesses was Col. E. T. Cooper, who testified in behalf of Mr. Kenney, Judge Bradford having granted the writ for Mr. Cooper's appearance. The other cases have been continued to the fall term of court, the defendants, and the court, the attorneys, the jurors, the people, all being glad of a rest.

The days of registration are close upon us, the first three Saturdays in August, the 6th, 13th and 20th, are the days that come first, and in New Castle county, no one can vote at a party primary election, unless they shall have been registered. For this reason the state convention and the county and district nominations will have to be delayed till at least the last of August, and then with the new and changed conditions of our government under the Constitution. Each representative district will be the master of its own affairs as regards nomination, which will go far to produce party unity and party harmony.—Milford Chronicle.

The week has developed but little in war news. The fall of Santiago was gloomy enough for some time, and besides the danger of contact with yellow fever make the army movements exceedingly cautious. Our own General Wilson has started for Porto Rico, and General Miles, conveyed by a part of Sampson's fleet has followed him. The climate of Porto Rico is far superior to that of Cuba at this season, and active operations will be begun there at once.

VOLUNTEER ARMY.

Fairly good progress has been made in recruiting for the volunteer army under the President's second call for 75,000 troops. The plan adopted by the War Department was to recruit all the volunteer organizations in the army up to their maximum enlisted strength before entering upon the recruitment of additional troops. The total number of men required to fill out existing regiments was 37,500, and according to the latest returns the total enlistments under this plan are 27,519 men.

In order to show the progress of recruiting under the second call the following statement has been prepared in the office of the adjutant general of the army, based on the latest returns:—

State.	Number required.	Number enlisted.
Alabama	675	258
Arkansas	600	379
California	300	390
Connecticut	1016	624
Delaware	425	331
Florida	225	225
Georgia	2380	2331
Illinois	1304	1334
Indiana	1908	1569
Iowa	900	613
Kansas	908	602
Kentucky	908	602
Louisiana	900	599
Maine	354	159
Maryland	580	533
Massachusetts	1536	978
Michigan	1200	801
Minnesota	900	900
Mississippi	900	900
Missouri	1532	1567
Nebraska	600	107
Nevada	300	300
New Hampshire	900	928
New Jersey	3704	2733
New York	3846	3162
North Carolina	300	163
Ohio	4163	4053
Oregon	300	300
Pennsylvania	1128	509
Rhode Island	900	300
Texas	900	300
Tennessee	900	300
Virginia	900	300
West Virginia	300	315
Wisconsin	900	924

Indiana, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, Rhode Island, West Virginia and Wisconsin have exceeded their quota, but all the others are behind in the supply of troops.

The worst delinquent is North Carolina, which has furnished only fifty-five soldiers to meet its quota of 783. Other delinquents are Colorado, Louisiana, Nebraska, Tennessee and Virginia, each of which has supplied less than half one-third the number of men required. Alabama, Massachusetts, Arkansas, Georgia, Mississippi, Oregon and Texas have done very little better, and are all very much behind in meeting the requirements. Complaint has been made also that in several of the States an effort has been made to foist poor material on the Government.

The total enlisted strength of the regular army to date is about 44,000 men, being about 18,000 short of its legal complement. The volunteer army consists of 183,000 men and is only 17,000 short of its maximum authorized strength under the two calls issued by the President. The total strength of the army, regular and volunteer is 227,000 as now organized.

WAR ITEMS.

Congress appropriated about four hundred million dollars to carry on the war.

Peace must come soon, for, although Spain thinks she has much to fight for, she has nothing to fight with.

After vague and unsatisfactory reports, some hopeful and some depressing, the sad news of Lieut. Churchman's death is confirmed. His father lives at Grubb's Landing, Del.

Sunday May 1, Sunday July 3 and Sunday July 17 are memorable days. May 1, Dewey, July 3 Schley and July 17 "Old Glory" raised in Santiago.

One can hardly think it possible that the two greatest naval battles of the world, Manila and Santiago, the victors, the Americans, lost but one man and no vessels, while the enemy, the Spaniards, lost all their ships, either destroyed or captured, with many hundreds killed and wounded, and all the others, officers and sailors, made prisoners.

Condition of Crops.

The report of the climate and crops service for the week ending July 18, follows: The first part of the past week was very cool, averaging some ten degrees or more below the normal; the latter part, however, was quite warm; making the average for the whole period about three degrees below the normal. Beneficial showers occurred in the extreme western and southeastern counties, and in Sussex county, Delaware. Over the remainder of the two states there were occasional light showers, but not sufficient in amount to give any relief to the drought conditions, which still prevail over the greater part of the section. There conditions have grown steadily worse in most of the southern counties, and are beginning to assume a serious stage in the north-central counties.

Wheat thrashing is very nearly finished. The yields, in general, have been quite poor, ranging from six to twenty-five bushels per acre in the north central counties, and running as low as three or four bushels per acre in some of the southern counties. Corn has made little or no advance, although holding quite well under the drought conditions prevailing. It is beginning to ripen in some. Oats are being harvested, and the crop will be exceedingly light. Potatoes are suffering from want of rain; early varieties are scarce in the western counties. Gardens and pastures are drying up. Tomatoes are not making much progress, though, considering the unusual dryness, are doing as well as can be expected. Tobacco prospects continue unpromising, with only about half a crop planted and very little hope for further planting. Many farmers are planting their tobacco lands in navy beans. There will be very few peaches or apples, most orchards proving total failures. Melons promise to be plentiful.

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Queen Anne's Railroad.

The official board of the Queen Anne's Railroad company is now interested in a study of the conditions existing upon the construction of a new boat. Nothing definite, however, has yet been determined upon. There is very little likelihood of any change being made in the operating arrangements of the company this year. The rumored substitution of another boat is denied by the company. President Boyles says that new boats, such as will meet the demands of that particular traffic, are neither easy of purchase nor charter. In fact, it is difficult to discover a procurable boat which will in every way answer the purposes required in service on that line. What is actually needed can be provided only by the construction of a new craft designed in accordance with the company's ideas. It is that which the official board now has under consideration. Whatever may be their decision, no new boat will be bought or built before next season.

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Reduced Rates to Saratoga.

For the Young People's Christian Union, United Presbyterian Church, to be held at Saratoga, August 3 to 5, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from points on its line to Saratoga at rate of single fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold August 2 and 3 good to return 3 to 10, or by depositing ticket with Joint Agent return limit may be extended to August 31, 1898.

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MY MARYLAND.

The circuit court at its session in Queen Anne county on Monday, July 18, decided an interesting case which came over from Caroline county. It seems that the county commissioners of Caroline county, which is a Republican body, insisted that Mr. Whitby, the Democratic County Treasurer, should perform the duties of the clerk to the county commissioners for a salary of \$800, and prayed a mandamus for this purpose. Under the law which Mr. Whitby was elected treasurer, he got a salary of \$1000. The Republicans at the session of the Legislature attempted to amend this law and to compel the County Treasurer to do the work of the clerk to the county commissioners in addition to his other duties, and fixed the compensation at \$800. There was also another law which by some oversight passed the Legislature, allowing the clerk of the county commissioners to receive a sum not exceeding \$300 for such services. The allowance to be to the discretion of the board. The circuit court held that Mr. Whitby must perform the duties of clerk to the county commissioners, but to the horror and consternation of the Republican board, the court held that in performing these duties Mr. Whitby was entitled to his salary of \$1000 under the old law, the salary of \$800 under the new Act, and under the third Act he was entitled to such part of \$800 as the commissioners would allow him for services rendered. Thus by endeavoring, through a political trick, to put a Democrat in a hole, the Republican Commissioners have to their surprise and chagrin given Mr. Whitby surely the hand some sum of \$1000 per annum, with a possibility of \$3000 starting them in the face—Chesletown Transcript.

Robert A. Warren was killed at Earleville on Monday by being drawn into the cogs of a traction engine which he was running. Death was instantaneous, the skull being crushed.

KENT COUNTY.

John S. Jester, Alderman, of Dover, was stricken with paralysis, on Saturday night from which he died Wednesday.

Our farmers and truckers who planted a good acreage of white potatoes are harvesting a paying crop just now. Potatoes have been quoted this week at from \$2 to \$3 a barrel, and there is a great demand for them. The local merchants are paying thirty-five cents per bushel and Mr. Collins, of near town, sold 500 bushels to C. S. Van Burkle last week for thirty-five cents per bushel, cash. It is said that the army supply has caused the demand—Dover Index.

Fully 300 persons left Dover, Wednesday for Woodland Beach in hacks, wagons and private carriages. It was the annual outing of Wesley M. E. Sunday school. There were seven other excursions there Wednesday.

SUSSEX COUNTY.

Alexander Close, who has been in jail at Georgetown upon the charge of shooting Frank Truitt in Bridgeville several weeks ago, was released upon bail by Judge Boyce upon habeas corpus proceedings.

Daniel B. Kinder died at his home near Atlanta, Sussex County, Delaware, a few days ago. Mr. Kinder was in his 82d year and the youngest and last member of a family of four brothers and one sister whose combined ages reach an aggregate of 400 years an average of 81 years, 9 months and 18 days.

Do We? We Do!

The boy's was a little by the rail' near the bow, A talker to his shipmates as a saying 'to 'em low We needed just a Farragut in this here bloomin' row, An' the gunner's mate said: 'Dewey? Whatcher think?' Then the boy's hitched his trousers an' changed his mind on that line, 'Vlad! He was an old-time boy'n, an' the old-time fightin' sort; An' he said we want a fighter for to take this Mowser fort, An' the gun crew answered: 'Dewey?' 'Spose we do.' 'Yes,' the boy's said quite hearty; 'he's like the fleetin' Turk, What I've read about in story books, who didn't never shirk, But we only need an Adm'ral to finish up the work.' An' the whole crew answered: 'Dewey? Guess we do.'

An' the people down in Congress are a-goin' to take the tip, For they know about the Commodore an' how he runs a ship; An' he runs a fleet just like it an' he always makes his trip. So the people want him. Dewey? Yes, we do. —H. E. W. Jr.

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To Yellowstone Park and the Trans-Mississippi Exposition on a special train of Pullman sleeping, compartment observation and dining cars, allowing eight days in "Wonderland" and two days at Omaha, September 1. Rate \$235 from New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington; \$230 from Pittsburgh.

To Niagara Falls, excursion tickets good to return within ten days will be sold on July 21, August 4 and 18, September 1, 15, and 29, at rate of \$10 from Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington. These tickets include transportation only, and will permit of stop over within limit at Buffalo, Rochester, and Watkins on the return trip.

Two ten-day tours to Gettysburg, Luray Caverns, Natural Bridge, Virginia Hot Springs, Richmond, and Washington, September 28 and October 19. Rate, \$95 from New York, \$65 from Philadelphia. Proportionate rates from other points.

For itineraries and information apply to ticket agents, or address George W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Philadelphia.

WANAMAKERS'

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, July 18, 1898. Store closes Saturday afternoons during the summer.

We are asked to say why this store is, in many respects, the best of its kind in the world. To answer this inquiry modestly is not easy. Queer how people ask things, isn't it? But to try—

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Second—There are principles, settled for every day in the year, governing the entire business. Right treatment is exacted from the employees to each other, and especially from those who are over them. Nothing is done to lower the manhood or debase the principles of honorable bread-winning workers. True performance of duty, in spirit and letter, is required toward the humblest and highest who do business with the house.

Third—Smartness, that indulges in curiosity or falsehood, is regarded as seriously as stealing. No premiums here for over-reaching of customers, or taking advantage of their ignorance or inexperience.

Fourth—We invite the customers' confidence and endeavor to prove ourselves worthy of it by showing that it is never misplaced. We confess ourselves to be human, and with all safeguards sometimes make mistakes. So do our customers—at least they say so.

Fifth—The difference between a new Cunard steamship and the old American liners is not more marked than this store in its management and large portions of its goods. In what particular do you say? Well, it is so. Sir Joshua Reynolds could not tell the difference in his paintings and others. He said he did not know. He simply painted Sir Joshua Reynolds—and his pictures today are all there and are priceless.

Sixth—It is true that this store usually shows at retail twice the quantity of any other retail store—in many stocks four times the assortment. This is of great advantage to lookers as well as buyers. To sit down at a meagre counter and think that there is nothing else, is a loss to the buyer.

Seventh—We have a keen interest in every piece of goods we show. It is not out of the unsold wholesale stock—it is not heavily charged by consignment, but our goods are all owned by the firm, who bought them for quick payment of cash.

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